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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: COATING METHOD BY
INTERMETALLIC COMPOUND

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1742

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: EXAMINER: OLTMANS, A.

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 02, 2002, Applicants elect, with
traverse, Group I, Claims 1-12, for further prosecution.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy to read as follows:

10. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first substance is in
powdery form or molten form and contains a powdery or fibrous ceramic constituted of an
oxide, carbide, nitride or boride of at least one metal selected from the group consisting of
aluminum, yttrium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium and silicon.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the first substance is in
powdery form or molten form and contains a powdery or fibrous ceramic constituted of an
oxide, carbide, nitride or boride of at least one metal selected from the group consisting of
aluminum, yttrium, titanium, zirconium, hafnium and silicon.